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REMARKS

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's most recent review of the case and telephonic discussion on December 18, 2003 and further conversation February 10, 2004. In light of these discussions and Examiner's suggested claim language, Applicant has submitted the present amendment of claims 1, 11, 12, 14, 15, 17 and 20. As amended, Applicant submits that independent claim 1 and independent claim 11 are patentable and in condition for allowance. Because independent claims 1 and 11 are now in condition for allowance, dependant claims 2, 4-6, 9, 10 and dependant claims 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19 and 20 are at least in condition for allowance as they include at least the same limitations of the respective independent claims. Accordingly, the Applicant would respectively request the Examiner to reconsider the Applicant's invention in light of these modifications and allow the claims as filed and amended.

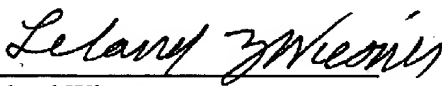
Applicants have made a diligent effort to place the claims in condition for allowance. However, should there remain unresolved issues that require adverse action, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone Leland Wiesner, Applicants' Attorney at (650) 853-1113 so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

For these reasons, and in view of the above amendments, this application is now considered to be in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully Submitted,

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